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**Mail Stop: Patent Application**

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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.  
**Our Ref: 095309.53202US**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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Entitled: **ENGINE CONTROLLER AND ASSOCIATED OPERATING METHOD**

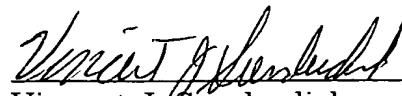
Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 22 claims (25 pages).
2. 7 Sheets of Formal Drawings Showing Figures 1-6.
3. Application Data Sheet
4. Assignment of the invention to DaimlerChrysler AG
5. Certified copy of Priority Document 103 08 650.1 filed in Germany on 27 February 2003, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
6. Information Disclosure Statement w/4 references.
7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee						\$385/770	=	\$770.00
Total Claims	<u>22</u>	-	20	=	<u>2</u>	x	\$9/18	= \$
Independent Claims	<u>3</u>	-	3	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$43/86	= \$36.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented						\$140/280	=	\$
Total Filing Fee								<u>\$806.00</u>

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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